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SUBJECT: HOUSE STAFFDEL INTEREST IN INTERVIEWING USG EMPLOYEES IN TOKYO

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1. A SEVEN-PERSON STAFF DELEGATION FROM THE HOUSE SUB-COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS WILL BE VISITING THE FAR EAST TO INTERVIEW INDIVIDUALS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S INVESTIGATION OF US-KOREAN RELATIONS. THE DELEGATION WILL BE IN TOKYO DECEMBER 7-9, AND DURING THIS PERIOD WOULD LIKE TO INTERVIEW THE USG EMPLOYEES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LISTED BELOW, WHO ARE CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO OTHER EA POSTS:

SAMUEL S. H. LEE, MANILA, STATE HENRY BARDACH, JAKARTA, STATE DAVID WOODY, JAKARTA, AID 2. ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD WRITE APPROPRIATE TRAVEL ORDERS TO FACILITATE INDIVIDUALS' TRAVEL AND COMMUNICATE WITH EMBASSY TOKYO TO ARRANGE ACCOMODATIONS AND COORDINATION WITH STAFFDEL. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY

TOKYO ASSIGNING CONTROL OFFICER TO COORDINATE VISITS AND INTERVIEWS. FOR STATE EMPLOYEES, POSTS SHOULD CHARGE TRAVEL COSTS TO S AND E PROGRAM ALLOTMENT. IF POSTS CANNOT ABSORB COSTS OF TRAVEL, EA/EX WILL CONSIDER AN INCREASE IN ALLOTMENT AS PART OF NEXT FINANCIAL PLAN REVIEW. FOR AID EMPLOYEE: IF POST CANNOT ABSORB COSTS FROM OE FUNDS, PLEASE NOTIFY AID/W, SER/MO.

3. FOR POSTS BACKGROUND, THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, HEADED BY CONGRESSMAN DONALD M. FRASER, IS INVESTIGATING KOREAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS UNDER A MANDATE FROM THE COMMITTEE "TO CONDUCT A FULL AND COMPLETE INVESTIGATION AND STUDY OF...ALL ASPECTS OF THE POLITICAL, MILITARY, INTELLIGENCE, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND INFORMATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA....AND THE UNITED STATES." IN THE COURSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION, MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF HAVE INTERVIEWED A LARGE NUMBER OF STATE, AID AND OTHER AGENCY OFFICIALS IN THE U.S. AND OVERSEAS. THESE INTERVIEWS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED ON A VOLUNTARY INFORMAL BASIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(WITHOUT TRANSCRIPTION OR RECORDING). DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCY POLICY HAS BEEN TO COOPERATE WITH THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

- 4. GENERALLY, SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF HAS BEEN INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING SIGNIFICANT MATTERS IN U.S.-KOREAN RELATIONS DURING PERIOD IN WHICH OFFICER BEING INTERVIEWED HAS HAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR KOREA AND HOW CONDUCT BY KOREAN GOVERNMENT OR AGENTS IN REGARD TO U.S. OFFICIALS, PRIVATE CITIZENS OR KOREAN RESIDENTS IN THE U.S. MAY HAVE IMPACTED ON U.S. POLICY AND RELATIONS WITH KOREA. A LARGE NUMBER OF DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCY DOCUMENTS (BOTH CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED) HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF.
- 5. STAFFDEL MEMBERS WILL BE CARRYING DOCUMENTS VERIFYING INDIVIDUAL SECURITY CLEARANCES. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT DEPARTMENT OFFICERS BEING INTERVIEWED MAY EVENTUALLY BE CALLED TO TESTIFY BEFORE FULL SUBCOMMITTEE ON BASIS OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN INTERVIEWS. SO FAR, SUBCOMMITTEE HAS HELD TWO DAYS OF HEARINGS WHICH HAVE FEATURED TESTIMONY FROM FORMER ROK CIA OFFICER, INTRODUCTION INTO

EVIDENCE OF PURPORTED KCIA PLAN FOR ACTIONS IN THE U.S. DURING 1976 AND TESTIMONY FROM PERSONS NAMED AS TARGETS IN ACTION PLAN. SHOULD PROSPECTIVE INTERVIEWEES HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, THEY MAY, OF COURSE, REQUEST GUIDANCE FROM DEPARTMENT. INTERVIEWEES ARE NOT RPT NOT AUTHORIZED TO SHOW CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS TO STAFFDEL, HOWEVER, ANY OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS

MUST BE PROVIDED TO SUBCOMMITTEE ONLY AFTER CENTRAL REVIEW IN DEPARTMENT. VANCE

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